

in the jail of Baltimore county, praying for special acts of insolvency in their favor.

Ordered That the two last mentioned petitions be severally referred to the Committee on Insolvency.

And a memorial of Joseph Blackwood, and others, citizens of the city of Baltimore, praying for an act to incorporate the Canton Furnace Company; which memorial was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Nicholas, Hunt and Buchanan.

Mr. Gittings presented a petition of Edmund W. Coleman, of Montgomery county, praying the passage of a special law authorising him to import and bring from the state of Virginia into this state, a certain negro man slave, therein named; which petition was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Gittings, White and Willson.

Mr. Gantt moved the following order:

Ordered, That the Committee on Grievances and Courts of Justice be instructed to inquire into the propriety and expediency of preventing, by law, the Clerk to the Court of Appeals from practising the law as an attorney, in any of the courts of common law or equity in this state, and that they report by bill or otherwise, as soon as practicable.

Which being twice read;

On motion by Mr. Semmes, the said order was amended, by inserting after the words "the Clerk of the Court of Appeals" these words, "and the Auditor in Chancery."

The said order so amended, was then adopted.

On motion by Mr. McMahon, the resolution submitted by him yesterday, relative to printing and distributing the election laws of this state, was withdrawn from the further consideration of the house, and the following order, which he offered as a substitute for said resolution, was adopted, viz.

Ordered, That a select committee of five be appointed by the chair, to enquire into the propriety of having an abstract of the election laws of this state printed, for the use of the judges of election, and enquire into the expense thereof.

Messrs. McMahon, Done, Goldsborough, Dorsey, and Gantt, were appointed the said committee, pursuant to the order.

On motion by Mr. Moores, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Inspections be directed to enquire into the expediency of establishing an Inspection of Shingles at Port Deposit, in Cecil County.

On motion by Mr. Blakistone, it was